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Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to your letter of 17 November 2023 inviting the Industrial Development Board (IDB) of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) to provide an input to the high-level political forum on sustainable development (HLPF) in 2024. Further to an enhanced dialogue amongst Member States, I have the pleasure to herewith submit, in my capacity as President of the fifty-first session of the Board, the input of the IDB to the 2024 HLPF, which has also been submitted through the online form.

The HLPF provides an important opportunity for UNIDO to emphasize the key role of inclusive and sustainable industrialization, as well as the mandate and the priorities of the Organization to solve the world's most pressing challenges and accelerate the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The input elaborates on key challenges and actions required to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) under review at the HLPF this year, with a specific focus on those where UNIDO's role is most prevalent, namely SDG 1 on eradicating poverty, SDG 2 on ending hunger, SDG 13 on fighting climate change, and SDG 17 on fostering transformative partnerships.

UNIDO has much to offer through the promotion of sustainable supply chains, food systems transformation, industrial decarbonization and the green and energy transitions. The Organization also provides recognized expertise and advice on developing modern, SDG-oriented industrial policies, including for least developed countries (LDCs), and on leveraging the right partnerships with the private sector and investors.

We hope that our input will contribute constructively to this year's HLPF and its forthcoming deliberations, and trust that our recommendations and key messages will inform the ECOSOC Ministerial Declaration.

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We also hope that this input will, by extension, support Member States in advancing the negotiations on the “Pact for the Future” to be adopted during the Summit of the Future as well as the new ten-year programmes of action for landlocked developing countries (LLDCs) and small island developing States (SIDS) to be adopted during the Third United Nations Conference on LLDCs and Fourth International Conference on SIDS respectively this year. UNIDO has immense potential to support Member States in the implementation of all these frameworks.

While the world has weathered the COVID-19 pandemic, complex challenges continue to affect us all, especially LDCs and the most vulnerable groups. With this input, we clearly emphasize that sustainable industrialization is a critical element of any SDG rescue plan and that it needs to be part of global discussions on how to accelerate the achievement of the 2030 Agenda.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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